

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

February 14, 2022

There have been some changes in the Public Works department over the past couple weeks. Kirk Kundrick stepped in as our Primary Water/Wastewater Operator when Doug Buys terminated his contract as of January 31, 2022. We will discuss this change at the meeting.

We have begun again to work on the Transportation Plan which was financed by a grant from ITD. Kyla is putting together a TTAC meeting so community members can be involved in the process.

We had worked on the Comprehensive Plan – updating it – in the past, but we need to move through the next steps which include getting community input. We will review the next steps on that project at the meeting.

I have asked Angie to present information regarding the number and amount of delinquent accounts on the City's books. In the past several years, we have implemented various programs, including a payment plan, but we need to review the amounts that still continue to be outstanding.

We will be working on the Personnel Policy incrementally with the first 4 sections included in this meeting's review. Please read through those portions before the meeting and make notes so we can discuss and come to a consensus on the best answer.

The illegal dumping continues and we have to find a way to pinpoint the source. I have reached out to several different organizations and individuals to no avail. I have asked Dick to review our ordinances to see what our legal options are. The strain on the sewer system is becoming overwhelming.

I continue to have discussions regarding possible housing in our community. Hopefully, there will be more projects in the future.

"No one has ever become poor by giving." Anne Frank